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Canucks helping Mexican beating suspect: Report

Benefit dinner.

Canadians believed to have held a fundraiser for man accused of attacking Calgarian



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While Calgarian Sheila Nabb is still recovering from a brutal beating at a Mazatlan hotel, reports from a Mexican media outlet indicate a group of Canadians are supporting the alleged assailant.

Nabb was found badly

beaten in a hotel elevator in January while on vacation.

In the days following the attack, Mexican authorities arrested José Ramón Acosta Quintero.

A translation from Mazatlan news outlet Noroeste reads, "Incredibly, it was learned that members of the Canadian community in the port hosted a dinner in aid of Acosta Quintero (a) few days ago, in order to raise funds and pay a lawyer."

When contacted by Metro, reporters from Noroeste confirmed a source informed them of the benefit dinner hosted by Canadians in Mexico.

Nabb's boss, Dr. David Peterson, said he was initially surprised and disturbed to hear of the fundraiser, adding his employee and good friend has been going through a long, difficult recovery.

"It just seems kind of strange... They've never supported Sheila and she was the victim here, but yet they choose to support someone who may have been responsible for it," he said.

Peterson said Nabb, who has not spoken publicly since the ordeal, will likely return to work in three months time.

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The toll of sexual abuse

Metro continues its five-part series on child pornography by looking at the long-term effects victims must endure

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Parts of North Carolina involved in the filming of The Hunger Games are expecting lots of visitors this summer

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The Flames' offence was on fire last game. And that could be a bad sign for the future of coach Brent Sutter

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TAKING SHOTS

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Premier Alison Redford, bottom, and her campaign team tried to take shots at Wildrose party Leader Danielle Smith's balanced-budget and Heritage Savings Trust Fund promises, saying it would result in cuts to vital provincial services.

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Decisions, decisions

Undecideds loom large in provincial campaign

After the results of two polls by Calgary television stations and their partners, it seems as if one of the biggest blocs of Alberta voters still doesn't know with whom they'll cast their April 23 ballot.

Recent CTV/Think HQ and Global/Ipsos polls had undecided voters at 23 per cent and 22 per cent, respectively, leaving prospective voters, like Calgary small-business owner Jeff Jamieson, with the task of finding a party that aligns with their values.

Jamieson, 34, lives in the Calgary Currie riding and says he'll cast his vote for the party that shows the best balance between fiscal sense and his stance on social issues.

"It comes down to the government staying out of people's homes and bedrooms," he said.

Timothy Wong, 31, an undecided voter in Edmonton-Riverview said he'll vote for the party that can demonstrate the best education policy and rebuild his faith in transparency and democratic renewal. He'd also like to know where parties come up with the cash to pay for promises.

Wong said there's one thing he knows will turn him off a party.

"Personal attacks," he said.

"Attacks on policy are fine." **DARREN KRAUSE/METRO**



For more on this story visit the Krause Encounters blog at metronews.ca/calgary

Wildrose. Jay Leno, Ellen poke fun at election bus

The Wildrose party may have corrected their busy bus flub, but photos of the original decal are still circulating.

When the bus was launched last week, Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith's photo appeared above two tires on the bus.

The bus has since been changed, but the photo made its way to Tonight Show host Jay Leno's headlines segment and to The Ellen DeGeneres Show's Facebook page.



Alberta's busy election bus.
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The photo, posted Monday with the caption "Show me your hubcaps," had nearly 19,000 likes. **METRO**

Wild Boar. Party proposes bacon ... and lots of it

They're calling themselves the unofficial opposition to the unofficial opposition and, if elected, one of their first mission's would be to make bacon Alberta's provincial flower.

The new, satirical Wild Boar Party of Alberta officially launched Monday following an election call for April 23.

The group's leader, known as Agouti Dijon, issued the party platform, which among other goals aims to "Rename the Alberta Tar Sands the Freedom Sands" and "Redraft

the Boarders of Alberta to give Saskatchewan the boring bits."

According to the mock party, they believe in a small government, stating, "We will not run candidates over 5 feet tall when standing on their hind legs."

KATIE TURNER/METRO

Hogging the party

For more on the party, visit wildboarparty.ca

Calgary a battleground for top two parties

Election campaign.

Front-runners have already taken pains to make it clear province's oil capital is no more or less important than any other region

Danielle Smith and her Wildrose party and Premier Alison Redford and her team of Progressive Conservatives wasted little time after the writ was dropped to race south to Calgary to begin figuratively thumping each other with campaign signs.

Redford's Tories had already launched radio attack ads on Smith that aired in the Calgary market weeks before the April 23 vote was called.

"I think every constituency in this election is going to matter and that's the perspective that we're taking," Redford, who is running in Calgary-Elbow, said

Alberta ridings

- Calgary has 25 of the 87 ridings — more than any other region.
- Calgary has traditionally been a Tory stronghold.
- Voters will go to the polls April 23.

Tuesday.

"The world changed, we called an election, and from that moment in time we're going to take seriously every vote that we would like to attract to support our party, whether that's in Calgary or Edmonton."

Smith, running in Highwood just south of Calgary, agreed.

"I think it's important for us to win a significant number of seats in every region of this province," she said.

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Alberta Liberal Party Leader Raj Sherman vowed to double the province's home-care commitment to \$808 million, while at a campaign stop on Day 2 of the provincial election campaign. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



NEWS

Mobile news



Age may creep up on man, but his best friend gets there at warp speed. The American Veterinary Medical Association holds that cats and small dogs are geriatric at seven — and large dogs at six. Scan for the story.

On the web

Beetle jewels

Live beetles covered in jewelry are all the rage in Mexico and are part of a centuries-old tradition. But as the live jewelry gains popularity, not all fashionistas and environmentalists are on the same page. Watch at metronews.ca/video

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Advocates say recent cases indicate even the most trusted members of society are capable of committing unthinkable sex acts against children. MICHAEL PROBST/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

'Lives are being ruined'

Enduring crimes: Child sex abuse, porn take an unshakeable toll

Part 3 of a five-part series

Predators in our midst: Metro's five-part look at child pornography — where it happens and why, and how to stop it

Thursday: 'Wake up' — how the community can stop predators

Friday 'Time for change' — government officials advocate to fight predators

To read the entire series,
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A babysitter and an elementary school teacher — two members of society entrusted to care for its children.

But for Chris, a 44-year-old Edmonton resident, the crimes committed against him as a boy by those very individuals changed his life forever.

"With the male babysitter, it went on for three years ...

he sexually abused me — he was absolutely sick,” recalled Chris, whose last name Metro has chosen to withhold.

"Anything you can think of, I was forced to do it and do it with other kids."

The toll taken on Chris was made that much worse when he also began being abused by his teacher.

That teacher claimed he was simply taking his students on a field trip but inevitably videotaped them performing sexual acts.

"I started having troubles in school," Chris said. "I was showing the classic signs something's gone on."

As a teen, Chris dived heavily into illegal and prescription drug use, developing an addiction to the latter.

Instances of abuse and the lasting effects on victims have become all too common, says Glori Meldrum, founder of Alberta-based Little Warriors, which works to prevent and educate the public about

such crimes. "Lives are being ruined," she said.

"It's happening every single day and it's only going to get worse if we don't do something about it."

Chris admits even now, decades later, he still suffers from his ordeal.

"I have a hard time trusting people," he said.

"You end up blaming yourself for everything that's happened."

The fight goes on

For some porn investigators, the evidence is so vile that they only stay in their unit for a year or so, says Sgt. Steve Lorne

Investigating child porn is no easy task.

Just 14 investigators are tasked with taking down thousands of child pornographers operating in southern Alberta.

Each case is complex — after material is seized, an investigation is launched that takes months, even years.

Each photograph or video must be analyzed to determine whether a minor is involved.

The hardest thing to cope with is most members of the Southern Alberta Internet Child Exploitation Unit have kids of their own, said Sgt. Steve Lorne, who himself has four youngsters.

Many investigators with the unit are so bothered by the evidence they see that they tend to only stay on for a year or so, said Lorne.

"But if we don't do it, who's going to?" Lorne asked.


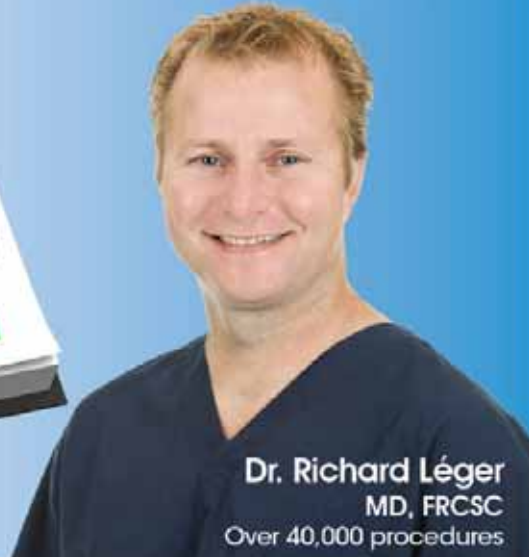
"For me that's where it's at."

"When we catch them, these guys aren't hiding behind a computer anymore.

"It's out there and their family and friends know about it."

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Chestermere. Editor facing allegations of plagiarism

The Alberta Press Council is investigating allegations of plagiarism after an American writer made claims that his work was being published in Chestermere.

Columnist and blogger George Waters, who is based in California, claims he discovered Steve Jeffrey, editor and publisher for a weekly paper in Chestermere called The Anchor, had published his work, and the work of several other writers, under his own name.

Emails and phone calls to Jeffrey were not answered; however, reports have indicated he has resigned. An employee at The Anchor

Columns in question

- Waters alleges Jeffrey has plagiarized more than 40 columns in the last year.
- According to an online profile, Jeffrey has worked at The Anchor since 2000.

could not confirm that.

In an email to Metro, Waters said, "I hope the Alberta Press Council will continue with its inquiry despite the resignation."

KATIE TURNER/METRO

Indecent

Man charged in show-home act

Craig Lee Babcock of Okotoks has been charged with an indecent act, one that he allegedly committed in a New Brighton show home back in September of 2011. **METRO**

W.O. Mitchell

Book prize finalists

The finalists for the City of Calgary W.O. Mitchell Book Prize, were announced Tuesday. They are: Betty Jane Hegerat for The Boy, Suzette Mayr for Monoceros, and Cathy Ostlere for Karma. **METRO**

Election messages that stick — in a bad way



SAIT students walk by a chalk-written message in support of newly elected president Sebastian Rodas. JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

Mess. Material used on campus sidewalks typically relied on to mark football fields



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Student representatives at a Calgary post-secondary institution are on the hook for a cleanup bill after an election tactic left a chalky impression well after the votes were tallied.

Over the past few weeks, two candidates vying to become president of the SAIT Students' Association kept busy chalking messages on sidewalks all over campus, urging students to support them during last week-

Think it through

"It looks messy, more like graffiti. I think they should have thought this through."

Wilson Quan, SAIT student

end's ballot.

The pair had previously gained approval for the campaign strategy from an election-oversight committee with the understanding that the chalk would easily wash away.

One of the individuals, current vice-president of finance Sebastian Rodas, was declared the winner late Monday; however, recent snowfalls have made it clear the chalk is more resilient than previously thought.

"It didn't come off when you put water on it, that was a bit troubling," outgoing student president Steven Hildebrand said. "It's everywhere."

The students' association has now determined a professional cleaning crew will need to be called in to remove roughly 50 messages and anticipate that will drain a few thousand dollars from their student-funded budget.

Some students speaking to Metro Tuesday deemed the cleanup a waste of money that could have been better used elsewhere.

"I think it was very irresponsible," said Carolina Cajiao.

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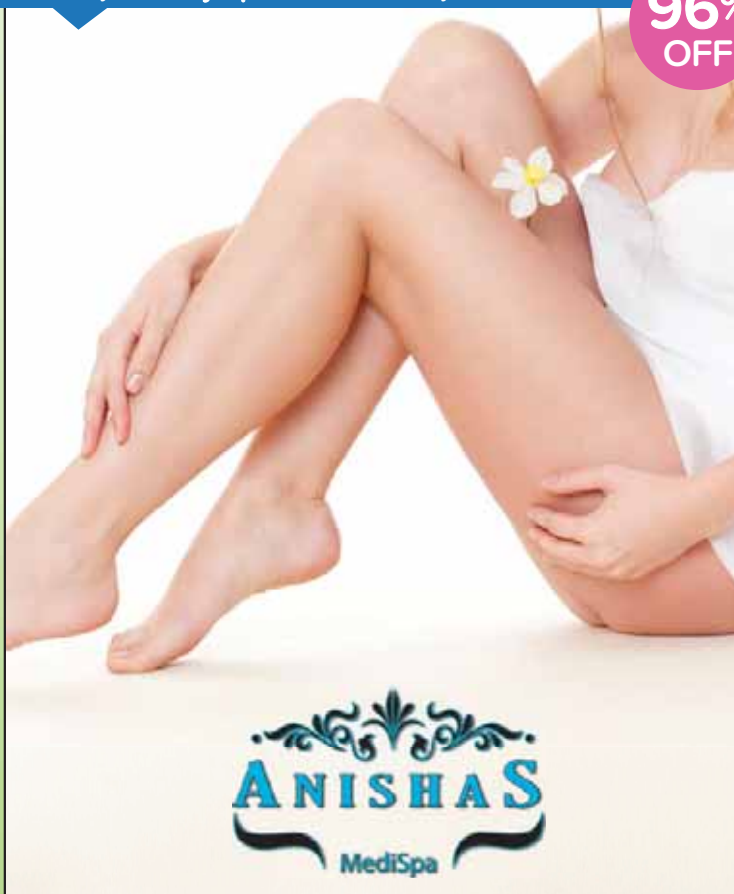
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Senior named victim in van fire: Cops

Few details. Police are still trying to determine how the events unfolded prior to Sunday discovery

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After autopsy results released Monday, police have con-

firmed that the victim of the vehicle fire in Fish Creek Park on Sunday was a 72-year-old woman.

The woman was found in her burned-out 2006 Toyota Sienna minivan down in the Sikome Lake area of Fish Creek Park early Sunday morning.

Insp. Keith Cain said circumstances surrounding the incident are still unclear.

"The vehicle was off the roadway slightly, and we're not sure why or how it got to

be there," said Cain.

The cause of the fire is still undetermined, and homicide detectives are still investigating.

"We're hoping someone may have seen that vehicle down in that area, and could provide us with some information."

Police are asking anyone with information to call the police service non-emergency number 403-266-1234 or call Crime Stoppers anonymously.



Emergency personnel at the scene Sunday where a body was found in a burned-out vehicle. MEGAN MAHONEY/FOR METRO



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'Well-known' suspects charged in violent bank robberies



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Police are crediting steadfast investigative work after charging three men in a string of violent bank robberies last year.

Between January and September the trio are believed to have entered six financial institutions armed with knives and guns and threatened patrons and staff.

Jason Edward Boone, 38, Scott Michael Cayer, 26, and Daniel Raymond Kottusch, 43, face a total of more than 60 charges.

"There are some other investigations still ongoing that we can't comment on at this time," said Staff Sgt. Bruce Walker, before adding the suspects are "well known" to police.

Walker added that each robbery took a toll on innocent people involved, add-

Robbery

- Each of the accused faces charges ranging from wearing a disguise during the commission of an indictable offence to possession of a weapon dangerous to the public and a robbery with a firearm.

ing the perpetrators were notably aggressive and made numerous threats during the course of each crime.

"Even though they feel like they're robbing the bank, there's legitimate victims here . . . in some cases it's quite traumatic for them," he said.

The institutions robbed included four Royal Banks in south Calgary as well as a Scotiabank and Alberta Treasury Branch. A northwest TD Canada Trust was also hit.

Fatalities

Charges laid against Calgary man in fatal crash

Charges have been laid against a 30-year-old Calgary man following a collision that left an elderly woman dead.

Police say Amandeep Singh Dhillon was arrested and charged Monday with one count of impaired driving causing death and three counts of impaired driving causing bodily harm. **METRO**

Law and order

RCMP officer faces no charges

No charges will be laid against the RCMP officer who fired his weapon at a suspect Feb. 11, 2011.

The suspect was stopped by the officer and refused to turn his engine off. When the officer leaned into the car to switch off the engine, the suspect tried to stab the officer with a cocaine-filled syringe.

MEGAN MAHONEY/FOR METRO

RCMP. Former officers launch class-action suit

KATE WEBB

For Metro in Vancouver

A former Nanaimo police constable filed a class-action lawsuit against the RCMP Tuesday alleging widespread systemic discrimination in the force against female officers, civilian members and civil-service employees.

More than 150 RCMP officers have signed on since former RCMP Cpl. Catherine Galliford came forward with explosive allegations of harassment on the job last November, although Galliford is not participating in the class-action suit.

The suit, filed by former Const. Janet Merlo, claims she suffered depression and post-traumatic stress disorder as a result of 20 years of discrimination and harassment at the Nanaimo RCMP detachment.

"It's too late for me," said Merlo in a statement released by her lawyers, "but I hope that this lawsuit will bring about some positive change for women who are still with the RCMP and women who join in the future."

The notice of claim alleges



Former RCMP Const. Janet Merlo shakes an officer's hand in 1991.

KLEIN LYONS/CONTRIBUTED

male members at Merlo's detachment planted sex toys around the office, yelled at her when she got pregnant with her first child and told her to keep her legs closed, and frequently made overt sexual comments and advances toward her.

Thunder Bay lawyer Alexander Zaitzeff is one of nine legal experts working on the case. Zaitzeff said the central issue in the case "is the paramilitary culture within the RCMP, in which there is an abuse of authority that occurs."

Scandal. Cyber-attack on NDP vote the work of organized professionals: Tech company

Hackers. Scyt Canada says hundreds of thousands of false vote requests sent

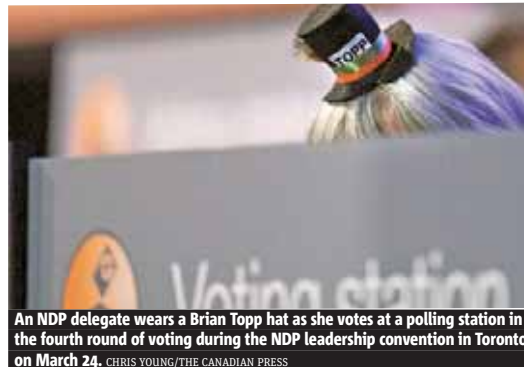
More than 10,000 "malevolent" Internet addresses were used to jam the NDP leadership convention's online voting system, according to the tech company that ran the vote.

The denial-of-service attack delayed voting for several hours and pushed the crowning of new NDP Leader Thomas Mulcair late into Saturday evening.

Some observers of the weekend convention immediately claimed the technical delays as evidence that New Democrats are not ready to govern.

But a statement Tuesday from Scyt Canada, which ran the online vote, described Saturday's cyber-attack as an organized, professional and illegal effort.

"We deeply regret the inconvenience to NDP voters



An NDP delegate wears a Brian Topp hat as she votes at a polling station in the fourth round of voting during the NDP leadership convention in Toronto on March 24. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

caused by this malicious, massive, orchestrated attempt to thwart democracy," Susan Crutchlow, the general manager of Scyt Canada, said in a release.

"We are proud, however, that our robust system, which is used by many governments around the world, repelled this attack, did not crash, and completed its mission of giving all NDP members who wished to vote the opportunity to do so securely."

The Spanish-based company also thanked the party for its patience with the long delays caused by the attack.

Scyt said "many hundreds of thousands" of false voting requests were sent to the system.

"This effectively 'jammed up the pipe' into the voting system, delaying voter access," said the company statement.

The so-called "botnet" used computers around the world, but mainly in Canada.

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Breast cancer

Mammogram errors

A study found 109 breast-cancer cases that had not been previously diagnosed in Quebec. The provincial College of Physicians conducted the search after learning there may be errors in previous mammograms.

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Private vs. public

Toews speaks on online attacks

Public Safety Minister Vic Toews appeared before a committee Tuesday examining whether his privilege as an MP was breached when online videos disclosed details of his personal life.

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Quebec

Students protest

Students blocked access to government buildings in several Quebec cities on Tuesday, leading to police pepper-spray at least one of the crowds.

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Facebook suicide shocks the world

Gruesome chat. No one alerts police; some beg woman to stop

A woman in Taiwan killed herself by inhaling poisonous fumes while chatting with friends on Facebook, and none of them alerted authorities, police said Tuesday.

Claire Lin killed herself on her 31st birthday, March

18, and family members who reported her suicide were unaware of the Facebook conversations that accompanied it, Taipei police officer Hsieh Ku-ming said.

Lin's last Facebook entries show her chatting with nine friends, alerting them to her gradual asphyxiation. One picture uploaded from her mobile phone depicts a charcoal barbecue burning next to two stuffed animals. An-

other shows the room filled with fumes.

One friend identified as Chung Hsin told Lin, "Be calm, open the window, put out the charcoal fire, please, I beg you."

Lin replied: "The fumes are suffocating. They fill my eyes with tears. Don't write me anymore."

A few of the Facebook friends chatting with her tried to stop her and track

her down on their own, but none called police. Chung did not respond to attempts to reach him for comment.

Lin's last words, in Chinese, were: "Too late. My room is filled with fumes. I just posted another picture. Even while I'm dying, I still want FB (Facebook). Must be FB poison. Haha."

Lin's Facebook postings indicated she was unhappy because her boyfriend was

ignoring her, and had failed to return home to be with her on her birthday. Her boyfriend found her body the next morning and alerted her family, Hsieh said.

Hsieh said he regretted that none of her friends called police during the 67-minute episode, but he added it may have been difficult for them to know her whereabouts.

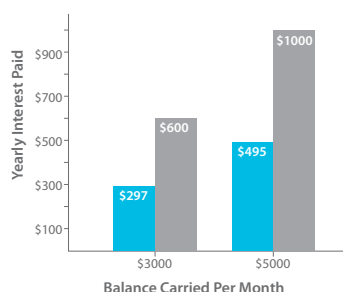
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Social isolation

Chai Ben-rei, of Taiwan's Feng Chia University, said the incident reflects social isolation in the Internet age

- "People may have doubts about what they see on the Internet because of its virtual nature, and fail to take action on it."

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Socks, hope and love

Balloons carrying a package of socks and messages of hope and love toward North Korea float toward the country near the Unification Observatory Post in Paju, South Korea, yesterday.

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Fraud. U.S. soldier accused of defrauding Microsoft co-founder

A U.S. soldier's alleged scheme to defraud one of the world's richest men has landed him in federal custody.

In a criminal complaint unsealed Monday, federal investigators allege Brandon Lee Price changed the address on a bank account held by Microsoft co-founder Paul Allen, then had a debit card sent to his home so he could use it for payments on a delinquent Armed Forces Bank account and personal expenses.

Price was absent without leave at the time.

Price called Citibank in January and changed the address on an account held by Allen from Seattle to Pittsburgh, then called back three days later to say he'd lost his



Microsoft co-founder Paul Allen.
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debit card and asked for a new one to be sent to him, an FBI investigator said.

A spokesman for Allen, said the fraud was detected by the bank.

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Talks. Annan makes progress toward ceasefire in Syria

Diplomacy. Former UN head gets crucial support for plan from Russia and China

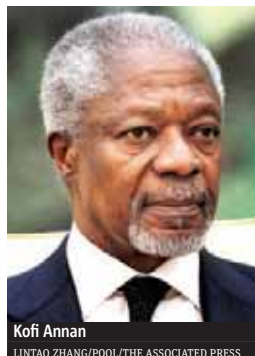
UN envoy Kofi Annan said Tuesday he has received the backing of both Syria and China for his plan for a negotiated end to the bloody Syrian conflict.

Annan believes Syria's acceptance of the peace plan is an important first step that now needs to be immediately implemented, his spokesman said.

A Paris-based member of the opposition Syrian National Council said it welcomes the Syrian government's decision.

"We hope that we can move toward a peace process," Bassma Kodmani said by telephone.

Annan, who is also an envoy for the Arab League, told reporters after meeting with Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao in Beijing on Tuesday that he had received a "positive" re-



Kofi Annan
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sponse from Syria as well as support from China.

He said he received a similar commitment from Russia over the weekend.

"We've had very good discussions about the situation in Syria. And they have offered me their full support," Annan said after the meeting with Wen.

Wen said work on a solution to the crisis is at a "critical juncture," adding that China backed Annan's mediation efforts.

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Peace plan

The six points of UN envoy Kofi Annan's peace plan for Syria, which have been accepted by the Syrian government.

- **More talks.** Syria commits to work with Annan "in an inclusive Syrian-led political process to address the legitimate aspirations and concerns of the Syrian people."
- **Ceasefire.** Syria commits to stop fighting and immediately stop troop movements and use of heavy weapons in populated areas. Annan will seek similar commitments from the opposition.
- **Daily pause.** Syria implements a daily two-hour "humanitarian pause" to deliver aid and evacuate the injured.
- **Release prisoners.** Syria commits to intensify "the pace and scale of release of arbitrarily detained persons."
- **Allow journalists.** Syria commits to ensure freedom of movement throughout the country for journalists.
- **Allow demonstrations.** Syria commits to "respect freedom of association and the right to demonstrate peacefully as legally guaranteed."



Protesters own streets in Northern Syria

In this citizen-journalism image taken on Monday, anti-regime protesters march in Binish town in Idlib province, northern Syria. EDLIB NEWS NETWORK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Reaction

U.S. skeptical about Syria peace plan

The Obama administration seemed wary Tuesday that President Bashar Assad's regime may use its apparent willingness to compromise as cover to press on with a year-long political crackdown.

Secretary of State Hillary Clinton cautiously welcomed the Syrian government's endorsement of the six-point plan that calls for an immediate ceasefire with rebels. She said it was an important step toward peace but stressed that Assad now has to deliver. "Given Assad's history of over-promising and under-delivering, that commitment must now be matched by im-

mediate action," Clinton told reporters in Washington. "We will judge Assad's sincerity and seriousness by what he does, not by what he says. If he is ready to bring this dark chapter in Syria's history to a close, he could prove it by immediately ordering regime forces to stop firing and begin withdrawing from populated areas."

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Congressional forum

Trayvon Martin's parents on Capitol Hill as outrage persists over killing

The parents of Trayvon Martin, the 17-year-old gunned down by a neighbourhood-watch volunteer who believed he looked suspicious, are on Capitol Hill on Tuesday to attend a congressional forum looking into racial profiling and hate crimes.

Their visit to the U.S. capital comes as the nationwide uproar over their unarmed son's death enters a sadly typical phase in many high-profile, emotionally charged American crime cases: blaming the victim.

Tracy Martin and Sybrina Fulton believe their son, wearing a hoodie and walking in a gated Florida community on a rainy February night, aroused George Zimmerman's suspicions because of his race.

Zimmerman, a white Hispanic, says he acted in self-defence. He claims the youth beat him prior to the shooting after he followed Martin in his SUV despite a 9-11 dispatcher telling him not to do so.

Martin and Fulton have



Trayvon Martin's parents, father, Tracy Martin, and Sybrina Fulton.
JACQUELYN MARTIN/ASSOCIATED PRESS

accused the man's lawyers and local police of a smear campaign in recent days as investigators face an ever-growing barrage of criticism for failing to make an arrest in the Feb. 26 shooting.

"They've killed my son, and now they're trying to kill his reputation," Fulton said this week.

Democrats organized Tuesday's Capitol Hill event. It was uncertain whether any Republican lawmakers would be in attendance.

The congressional forum is not only focusing on racial profiling and hate crimes, but also on Florida's so-called Stand Your Ground law, which essentially allows people to use deadly force if they feel threatened.

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U.S. justices sound alarm bells over health-care reform

Obamacare in peril. Supreme Court conservatives question constitutionality of democrats' mandatory coverage proposal

The U.S. Supreme Court's more conservative justices sharply questioned a core provision of President Barack Obama's historic health-care reforms Tuesday, raising doubts about the fate of the requirement that all Americans must buy insurance coverage or face a penalty.

The court's ruling on the constitutionality of the law — expected in June, during the heat of the presidential re-election campaign — will affect the lives of nearly every American and stands to deepen already wide ideological divisions.



Amy Brighton from Medina, Ohio, rallies in front of the U.S. Supreme Court in Washington, D.C., on Tuesday. CHARLES DHARAPAK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

logical divisions.

Justices pressed the government's lawyer about the right of Congress to force Americans to buy a product.

"If the government can do that, what else can it do?" asked Justice Antonin Scalia, referring to the individual-mandate portion of the Patient Protection and

Affordable Care Act.

The Democrat-appointed liberal minority of four justices was expected to vote to uphold the Obama plan. But a ruling in favour of the law would require at least one of the five conservative, Republican-appointed judges to break ranks.

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Cold War time warp

Russian president rebukes Romney

Russian President Dmitry Medvedev on Tuesday sharply suggested that Mitt Romney use his head and remember what year he's living in after the Republican presidential contender said Moscow was America's "No. 1 geopolitical foe."

Romney described Russia in those terms while criticizing President Barack Obama for his caught-on-tape remarks to Medvedev that he would have more room to negotiate on missile defence if he is re-elected in November.

During a briefing Tuesday in Seoul, where he and Obama were attending a nuclear security summit, the Russian leader said Romney's remarks "smacked of Hollywood" and sounded as if they came from the Cold War era.

Medvedev advised the White House hopefuls, including Romney, to "rely on reason, use their heads."

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French President Nicolas Sarkozy delivers a speech to magistrates and policemen who took part in the investigations into the attacks on seven people and siege of gunman Mohamed Merah's house. KENZO TRIBOUILLARD/POOL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Police fear French gunman had help

Accomplice? A video of attacks on soldiers and Jewish school sent to news network by unknown individual

A video apparently showing a Muslim gunman's attacks on soldiers and a Jewish school was sent to the Al-Jazeera news network — but not by

him, French police said Tuesday, raising the spectre of a possible accomplice.

Al-Jazeera on Tuesday decided not to air a video that seems to have been filmed from the killer's point of view and includes the cries of his victims.

The decision came after President Nicolas Sarkozy asked the network not to broadcast it.

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Video

- A French official said the video was not sent by Merah, 23, who died in a police shootout.
- Another official said the envelope sent to Al-Jazeera contained postmarks from a large postal processing centre for the area around Toulouse.

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Real estate

U.S. housing prices keep falling: Index

Home prices fell in January for a fifth straight month in most major U.S. cities, as modest sales increases have yet to boost prices.

The Standard & Poor's Case-Shiller home-price index released Tuesday showed that prices dropped in January from December in 16 of 19 cities tracked. The steepest declines were in San Francisco,

Atlanta and Portland. Prices increased in Miami, Phoenix and Washington. Price information for Charlotte was delayed and therefore not included in the report.

The declines partly reflect typical off-season sales. The month-over-month data are not adjusted for seasonal factors. Still, prices fell in 17 of the 20 cities in January compared to the same month in 2011. The group's nationwide index of prices has fallen 34 per cent since the housing bust and is now at 2002 levels. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Outlook

America confident about economy

Americans' rosy outlook about the economy remains resilient, despite mixed economic signs. Consumer confidence barely budged in March after last month hitting the highest level in a year. The stock market is up, but gas prices are too. Unemployment is falling, but home prices are also declining. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



In a Monday, Feb. 20 photo, a home is for sale in North Andover, Mass. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

WHO treaty. Member states set to crack down on tobacco smuggling

A large chunk of the world is closing in on a treaty to crack down on tobacco smuggling, a practice that is estimated to cost governments up to \$50 billion US in tax revenue each year, the World Health Organization said Tuesday.

Diplomats from 174 WHO members states are expected to have a draft treaty by the time they meet in South Korea later this year, the global body said. A handful of countries, including the United States, Indonesia, Argentina, Switzerland and 15 others, are not participating in the negotiations, meaning the treaty wouldn't apply there.

Negotiators meeting in

Geneva on Thursday still need to bridge differences on issues such as duty free and Internet sales, supply chain tracking and extradition of alleged smugglers. If those issues are resolved, a draft will be put to countries meeting in Seoul on Nov. 12 to 17.

A key part of the treaty is a planned tracking system that will require all cigarette packages to be marked in such a way that customs officials can trace their origin. The WHO's Dr. Haik Nikogosian said this would help law enforcement authorities determine the route by which tobacco products are smuggled. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Taking aim at competitor

CP Rail president and CEO Fred Green speaks in Calgary in this May 12, 2011, file photo. Green took direct aim Tuesday at Hunter Harrison, his erstwhile counterpart at the railroad's biggest rival and the man an activist investor wants to install in his place.

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Pipelines. Enbridge to invest \$4B to extend oil transport to Gulf Coast

The race to ship crude to Gulf Coast refineries has intensified, as Enbridge Inc. announced plans to invest nearly \$4 billion on two expanded U.S. pipeline proposals.

Canada's largest crude transporter said late Monday its proposed Seaway project between the oversupplied Cushing, Okla., storage hub and the Gulf will be scaled up by 450,000 barrels per day, bringing that project's total capacity to 850,000 barrels per day.

And its proposed Flanagan South line from the Chicago area down to Cushing has been expanded to a 36-diameter line with a capacity of 585,000 barrels per day. Enbridge had earlier envisioned using 30-inch diameter pipe. Together with its existing Spearhead pipeline, customers will be able to ship 775,000 barrels per day from Flanagan, Ill. to Cushing.

The two projects give will give producers in Western Canada and in the booming Bakken region of Saskatchewan, North Dakota and Montana "timely, economical and reliable options to deliver a variety of crudes to refinery hubs throughout the heart of North America and now as far as the Gulf Coast," said CEO Pat Daniel in a release.

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Eurozone needs more than \$1T for rescue: OECD



Angel Gurría, the head the OECD, right, talks with European Commissioner for Economic and Monetary Affairs Olli Rehn prior to a media conference, in Brussels on Tuesday. **YVES LOGGHE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

The 17 countries that use the euro need to build a one-trillion-euro (\$1.29 trillion) firewall to help the struggling currency union return to growth, the head of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development said Tuesday.

Angel Gurría, the secretary-general of the Paris-based international-development body, said existing plans for a 500-billion-euro European rescue fund were not enough to restore market confidence.

"The mother of all firewalls should be in place," Gurría said in Brussels, where he was flanked by Olli Rehn, the EU's economic affairs commissioner.

A permanent bailout fund of at least one trillion euros would give governments the

breathing space to focus on kick-starting growth and restoring the competitiveness of their economies, Gurría added.

As well as shoring up the financial defences, the OECD chief pointed to a raft of economic reforms that individual countries should enact. According to the organization's annual report for the eurozone, released Tuesday, vulnerable states may need more aid over the coming two years, and Gurría said eurozone finance ministers should take a decision to boost their bailout funds at their meeting in Copenhagen on Friday.

Germany, the bloc's largest economy, signalled on Monday that it would support an increase to around 700 billion

euros, but only until some 200 billion euros in loans already promised to Greece, Ireland and Portugal have been paid back.

That falls below the recommendation of the International Monetary Fund and the European Commission, the European Union's executive. Both organizations — which together with the European Central Bank form the so-called "troika" of international debt inspectors — believe a much bigger firewall will keep a lid on the pressure on Italy and Spain, the eurozone's third- and fourth-largest economies, which have a combined debt load of more than 2.5 trillion euros.

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Financial resources

- **Loans.** European Central Bank has pumped more than 1 trillion euros in cheap long-term loans into European banks.
- **Protection.** Other large non-euro economies, such as China and the U.S., may not be convinced to give the IMF more resources.
- **Reforms.** Countries like Germany fear that easy access to financial support may stop countries from implementing reforms.

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This is a story about an Easter egg hunt.

Of course, this is me, so it's a story about an Easter egg hunt gone horribly wrong.

The annual Easter egg hunt in Colorado Springs was called off this year because last year a mob of crazed parents leaped over the rope into an area restricted to kids and gathered up all the eggs before the kids knew what was happening.

When asked to explain his shocking behaviour, one dad explained: "You better believe I'm going to help my kid get one of those eggs. I promise my kid an Easter egg hunt, and I'd want to give him an even edge," he told The Associated Press.

Parents on the hunt

"We've come a long way from the days when my generation was growing up: our parents used to throw us out of the cave in the morning with instructions to go and frolic with the mastodons and the sabre-toothed tigers while they pursued their Mad Men dreams and schemes."

Left groping to explain all those adults gone wild, one expert blames "helicopter parents" and "millennial children." Today's parents, so the theory goes, are so anxious to prevent little Logan or Olivia from experiencing Early Disappointment Syndrome (I made that up) they'll turn an Easter egg hunt into blood sport. If Olivia falls victim to EDS, her self-esteem will suffer and she won't be able to get into the best schools and take her rightful place among the Masters and Mistresses of the Universe.

It's the same at the rink, the soccer pitch, the birthday party, dance class and wherever else helicopter parents hover. My favourite

is that millennial kids are now taking their parents to their job interviews so that Mr. and Ms. Helicopter can make sure Olivia gets a fair shake during the interview and the inevitable negotiation that follows.

We've come a long way from the days when my generation was growing up: our parents used to throw us out of the cave in the morning with instructions to go and frolic with the mastodons and the sabre-toothed tigers while they pursued their Mad Men dreams and schemes.

I swear we would play entire seasons of hockey outdoors — and never see a single parent standing on the snow banks, which makes sense, as your face would freeze after a minute's exposure to the wind chill. I used to take big hits in the hope I would get injured and be able to go into the shack and sit next to the heater.

Now kids play in world-class arenas or stadiums, complete with team doctors and publicists. And a squadron of helicopter parents, hovering in formation like killer bees.

Making sure nothing interesting happens to their kids. But let's see what I can do. Kid? Listen up. There's no such thing as the Easter Bunny anyway.



We know of some unlucky kids who won't be getting an Easter egg hunt this year. GETTY IMAGES

A blast from the past



A copy of the Cleveland Plain Dealer, dated Thursday, March 21, 1912, is held up after the opening of a time capsule buried 100 years ago at GE Lighting's Nela Park world headquarters Monday in Cleveland. TONY DEJAK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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A bright idea

Five of the century-old light bulbs placed next to a time capsule buried 100 years ago at GE's Lighting's Nela Park world headquarters Monday in Cleveland. Enclosed in the time capsule were also historical lighting-industry brochures and other artifacts.



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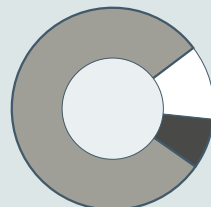
A photo of GE's board of directors in 1912 is held up.



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@CuriousZee: Some people are just weeeird! #YYCtransit carries the psychos of psychos

completely incorrect yet again. I'm not bitter or anything. #cold #grumpy #needsunnnow

@jfindlay9: Just walked across the Peace Bridge in #yyc. Beautiful design, but the guard rails seem low. Hope no one tries balancing on one for a photo.

@LaurieLeier: Family visiting #yyc. Taking them to see Peace Bridge of course!

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Is that Harry Potter on your Kindle?

At last, Harry Potter's adventures are available electronically. The seven novels about J.K. Rowling's boy wizard are for sale as ebooks and audio books on the author's Pottermore website, the site's creators announced Tuesday. The Harry Potter novels have sold 450 million copies, but Rowling for years resisted making the books available in digital form.

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On the Web



Man pleads guilty in Los Angeles in celebrity hacking case involving Christina Aguilera, Scarlett Johansson



Billy Zane starred opposite Kate Winslet in *Titanic*. CONTRIBUTED

Titanic was a 'game changer'

An interview with Billy Zane. The *Titanic* baddie returns, only this time in 3D

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It's been 15 years since *Titanic* reduced us all to sobbing wrecks, and smashed box-office records.

Now James Cameron's classic is being reissued in eye-popping 3D and we caught up with its sharp-suited villain Cal Hockley, also known as Billy Zane.

How did the original *Titanic* change your life?

It was an incredible calling

card. *Titanic* was an invitation to the tables of sovereign leaders for whatever you wanted to leverage, in my case charities. It was a game-changer, and a great honour to be canonized in the pantheon of significant movies.

Having played such a villain — are you worried about a new wave of unpopularity with the 3D release?

Oh, been there, done that, I'm well versed from the first time.

There's actually been a new perspective on Cal. Perhaps revisiting the movie has helped people see him through a different lens and have more sympathy.

You're not experiencing hostility?

Men say I was a terrible shot and women are in two camps.

The ones who were swept up in Leo-mania and can't believe I was in the way of true love, and the slyer ones with an appetite for jewelry who thought Rose was mad to leave Cal.

The most important thing for me was to mine understanding. The burden of the era was placed upon him too; he had a lot to manage. Collectively we were always analyzing, looking for opportunities to disarm the audience.

Does a real man make his own luck?

But of course.

Would you have liked anything about living in 1912?

Life before cellphones! Also the lost art of craftsmanship. I miss things being well made. Architecture and craftsmanship standards in general have

fallen.

How do you and the ocean get along?

I forged my career at sea in *Dead Calm*, where I played a nutter on a boat. I do well at sea, the boats just got bigger. In real life? It makes it very hard to charter one.

What will audiences get out of this reissue?

It depends what audience. Most have seen the film before, so they're going in with comforting expectation.

It's much like seeing an anthem band from the 1980s; waiting for the big hit, fired up nostalgically for when the first chord hits and you're transported to a time and place.

The device of 3D allows the filmmaker to keep the audience off balance — it's an un-

predictable space that allows heartstrings to be manipulated.

After 3D, what other new forms of *Titanic* could be created?

I think a role-play game in real time from the moment of impact or just before is probably something they might consider.

It's easy to forget this is all based on a historic tragedy. How has all this affected you?

More so than before. I saw a segment of the voyage on the (BBC) *One Show* I had never seen before. While watching it I had a very uneasy feeling. For the original, the tragedy hadn't hit me. We were always caught up in the artifice of film. Now it's different, I feel the weight.

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Simon Cowell

Crazed fan goes after X Factor creator Simon Cowell

Simon Cowell had a close encounter with an obsessed fan when a brick-wielding woman broke into his London home and came face to face with the X Factor boss before getting nabbed by his on-site security, according to the Washington Post.

"It came from the bathroom, so he went in," Max Clifford, Cowell's spokesperson, said in a statement.

"She had smashed her way in through the window, and it was unclear how long she had been there or what she was doing."

Clifford adds that

Getting smashed

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Max Clifford, Cowell's spokesperson

Cowell was shaken by the scare.

"It was a very frightening experience for Simon, who told me it was like something from a horror movie," he says.

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word

Hollywood women love the bad boy



THE WORD
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In a recent column, I brought up the news that everyone's favourite '90s goth (besides blood-sucking era Angelina Jolie), Marilyn Manson, is dating chanteuse Lana Del Rey. And, perhaps it was shallow of me, but I asked what it was about the creepy rocker that attracted some of Hollywood's most beautiful women (Rose McGowan, Dita Von Teese, Evan Rachel Wood are three of his most famous conquests). Luckily, you wrote in:

"The best I can do is remember that ignorance is a natural part of the human process."

"He's creepy outwardly, I'll grant you and beyond strange. He is also intelligent, well spoken, charming (when he wants to be) and masculine (despite the make-up and freaky gender-bending BDSM clothing)... He's good at making interesting conversation and accomplished at drawing women in. A fine predator of the male species."

"The answer is so simple that you missed it completely! Ask yourself how



Ric Ocasek got Paulina? The reason you don't get it is that you are not a fan of Marilyn Manson. Your biased view inhibits your clarity."

My biased view? No. It's just curious. I'd like to file this under that weird phenomenon of how once-popular Hollywood men whose careers are currently on a downward slide—see: Wilmer Valderrama; Macaulay Culkin — still get so many successful, hot girlfriends and George Clooney gets a former WWE wrestler. Ladies, I'd like a word.



Fergie

Fergie wants to add peas to her family pod

After three years of marriage to Josh Duhamel, Fergie is up for having kids — just not now.

"It's not happening yet, I can tell you that definitely," Fergie says, according to Hollyscoop. "But we want to have a family, so that's in the cards, but it's just not this second."

The continued

wait has to do with the fact that, with a lighter Black Eyed Peas schedule, the singer finally has time to spend with her husband.

"Eight years of being on the road, and now I've been off the road, what, five months?" she says.

"I'm enjoying this time of just being home for that long a period."

Twitter



@MileyCyrus

I'm not engaged. I've worn this same ring on this finger since November! People just wanna find something to talk about! It's a topaz people!



@andersoncooper

I just started running again, but don't think I could do a marathon



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Spring is in the air. Students are out night and day, lovers cuddle on benches in the city's parks, the atmosphere is serene and the pace in Paris is pretty relaxed as days get longer.

As I stroll along the shores of La Seine, I can't help thinking of the light spirited Woody Allen movie.

Like Gil, the main character of *Midnight in Paris*, I embrace everything I come across in the French capital with delight and gratitude.

The soft light playing on the glass panels of the Louvre pyramids is a painting worth as much as the most notorious exhibited inside. Talking with the booksellers by the Seine in order to find a copy of an ancient manuscript brings me joy.

March is a lazy month with unpredictable mood swings. As it gets warmer during the day, I look for some shade in le Jardin du Luxembourg.

In this great recreational park of the 5th arrondissement (district) of Paris, I take pleasure in looking at children playing with miniature sailboats on the main basin and at the statues scattered in the park picturing romance, love, desire and revenge (I imagine).

A sudden shower pushes me down in the subway heading to the Quai Branly for an escape to the museum of cultures and civilizations.

This fascinating place created by former French president Jacques Chirac offers a complete, clever and well displayed collection of craft, arts and history that re-

Paris

"The city offers it all: elegant architecture, fancy stores and interesting urban sketches."

flects the richness and variety of the many cultures around the world.

As the night falls, the rain has stopped and the temperature is still good enough to hang out.

I walk up the Champs Élysées to the Arc de Triomphe, just because it feels great to stroll along this notorious avenue and I stop at the Fouquet's to enjoy a meal in a very expensive café, looking at ecstatic tourists and young families heading back home.

Then I head to Place de l'Odéon to have dinner in one of the numerous restaurants in this tiny passage where artists, students and wealthy people meet and talk through the night.

I have a hard decision to make: should I sit at Le Procope, a Parisian institution, or opt for the friendly atmosphere and the amazing desert of La Jacobine?

As if the excellent meal was not enough to please my palate, I walk up Saint Germain to the chocolate boutique of famous maître-chocolatier Larnicol. I indulge in delicacies in this chocolate palace.

It's now time to burn it off with some jazz. The Quartier Latin is a vibrant place where life is bustling and the night is always young. There are plenty of clubs to listen to music in and many opportunities to mingle with a happy crowd.

The city offers it all: elegant architecture, fancy stores and interesting urban sketches... Yes, indeed, the Parisian cliché is a delightful experience!

Maybe love will strike at the corner of a café or on the sidewalk of Notre Dame and just like for Gil; a young charismatic stranger will turn my Parisian experience into a romance.



People enjoy the spring weather outside the Louvre. ZOETNET/FLICKR



Maybe love will strike you at the Arc de Triomphe or on the sidewalk of Notre Dame this spring. FLICKR



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Queen puts stamp on exhibit

Regular mail — the kind with a stamp on it — isn't the everyday fact of life it used to be. And that means we might not get to see the Queen as often as Canadians did in the past. The Canadian Postal Museum in Gatineau, Que., is marking Elizabeth's diamond jubilee with an exhibition of over 600 stamps issued since 1952 that bear her likeness. "This collection of postal portraits provides an excellent historical account of one of many examples of the Queen's presence in the everyday lives of Canadians," Heritage Minister James Moore said in a release.

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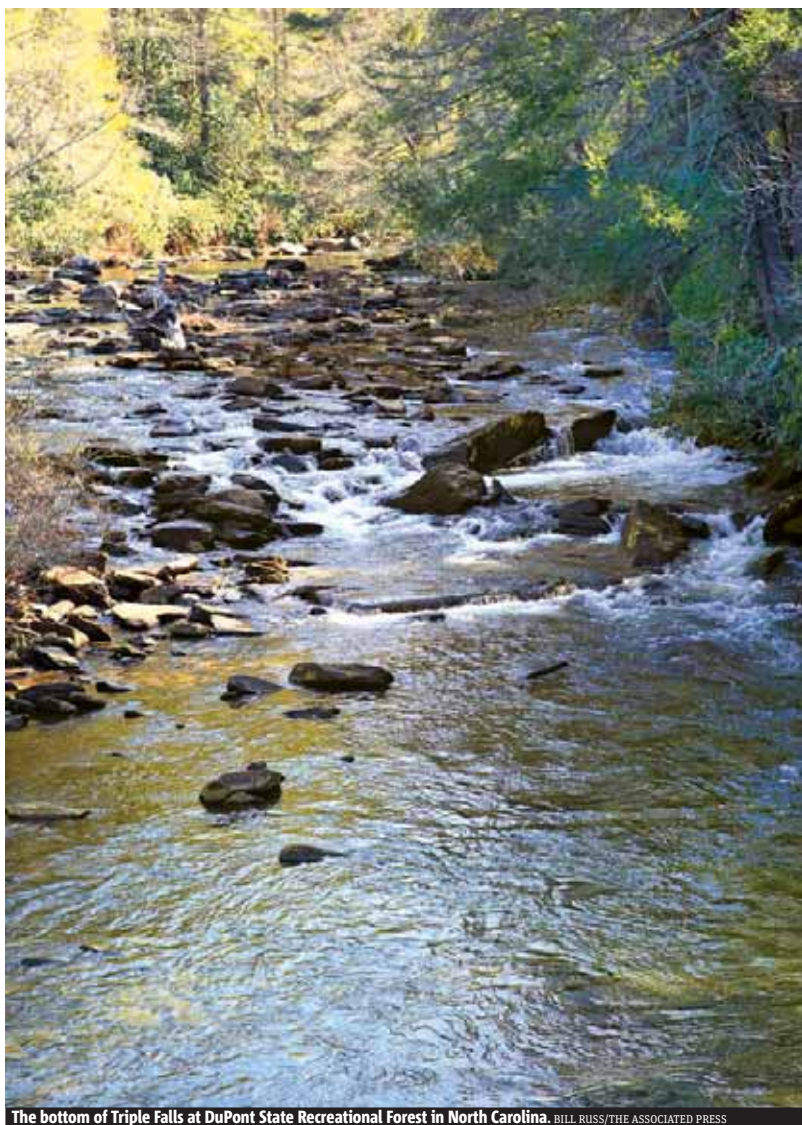
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North Carolina braces for Hunger Games tourism

Cashing in on craze.

Tour 'District 12,' learn about survival and watch re-enactments of scenes from the film on special tours

Fans of The Hunger Games are already turning up in North Carolina, seeking out places where the movie was shot, from old-growth forests to an abandoned mill town.

And the tourism industry is prepared to cash in, with everything from hotel packages and zip line tours, to re-enactments of scenes from the film and lessons in survival skills.

The movie, which opened last weekend, is based on a bestselling book about a post-apocalyptic world where teenagers compete to the death in fighting games.

It was filmed entirely in North Carolina, from the mountains, where fake trees were planted, filled with propane and blown up, to Charlotte, which served as the Capitol from the story — the seat of power where the teens are sent for training.

Also prominently featured in the movie is the Henry River Mill Village near Hildebran, about 115 kilometres from Asheville, which was the setting for District 12, home of the three main characters, Katniss, Peeta and Gale.

Although the mill burned down in 1977, the 20-plus remaining buildings, including the company store, make it look like a ghost town.

The village is private property, and the local sheriff's department is working with private security guards to keep people away, concerned about liability if someone gets hurt.

But fans are already coming. "I'm getting too many visitors," said the property owner, Wade Shepherd, 83, who hasn't read The Hunger Games.

"Day and night, they're driving through, taking pictures, getting out and walking. I'm just bombarded with people."

North Carolina's trees also figure prominently in the movie. At first, pine trees tall enough to suit the filmmakers' needs couldn't be found.

But Pam Lewis, film commissioner in the western part of the state when Lionsgate, the film company, was scouting out locations, found a 22,000-

For diehard fans

Re-enact a scene

A company called Hunger Games Fan Tours offers day and weekend trips to waterfalls and other spots in Transylvania County. As part of the tour, actors re-enact some of the scenes shot there and guests are served food described in the story. Visit hungergamesfantours.com.

acre forest of old-growth trees in Asheville's watershed, and that's where the movie's arena scenes were filmed. The public isn't allowed in this protected watershed area, but plenty of other forests are open to visitors.

Filmmakers spent more than \$60 million on The Hunger Games in North Carolina, and employed about 5,000 people, including stars, extras and crews, making it the largest movie ever made here. Other famous movies filmed in the state include Dirty Dancing, The Last of the Mohicans and Bull Durham.

The Hunger Games is based on the first book from author Suzanne Collins' best-selling trilogy.

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"Day and night, they're driving through ... I'm just bombarded with people."

Wade Shepherd, property owner in the Henry River Mill Village in North Carolina, the location where scenes from The Hunger Games were shot.

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Ingredients

- 375 g (12 oz) whole-grain spaghetti, broken into pieces
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) canola oil
- 250 g (8 oz) cremini mushrooms, sliced
- 1 clove garlic, chopped
- Salt and ground black pepper, to taste
- 1 bunch asparagus, trimmed and cut into pieces
- 1 red bell pepper, cored and diced
- 10 ml (2 tsp) onion powder, divided
- 7 ml (1 1/2 tsp) paprika, divided
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) dry sherry
- 750 ml (3 cups) cubed cooked turkey breast
- 500 ml (2 cups) fat-free half-and-half
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) instant-blend flour
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) grated Parmesan cheese
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) panko bread crumbs
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) garlic powder
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) chopped fresh parsley

1. Heat oven to 200 C (400 F). Coat a large casserole dish with cooking spray.

2. Bring a large saucepan of salted water to a boil and cook spaghetti according to package directions. Drain and set aside.

3. In a large skillet over medium-high, heat oil. Add mushrooms and garlic, then season with salt and black pepper. Sauté until mushrooms are well browned and release all their liquid, about 10 minutes. Add asparagus and red pepper and cook for another 4 minutes.

4. Stir in 5 ml (1 tsp) of the onion powder, 5 ml (1 tsp) of the paprika and sherry. Cook for 1 minute, then remove from heat. Add turkey and set aside.

5. In a small saucepan over low heat, bring half-and-half to a simmer. Whisk in instant-blend flour, then bring to a boil. Cook until thickened, about 1 minute. Re-

Turkey Tetrazzini



This recipe serves eight. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

move pan from heat and stir in Parmesan. Season with salt and pepper.

6. In a small bowl, stir together panko, garlic powder, parsley, remaining 5 ml (1 tsp)

onion powder and remaining 2 ml (1/2 tsp) paprika.

7. To assemble casserole, stir cooked spaghetti and cream sauce into skillet with turkey and vegetables. Spoon mix-

ture into prepared casserole dish, then sprinkle seasoned panko over it. Spritz top of panko crumbs with cooking spray and bake for 10 to 15 minutes or until golden.

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Savoury Turkey Crêpes



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Ingredients

Crêpe Batter

- 500 ml (2 cups) flour
- 8 eggs
- 250 ml (1 cup) milk
- 250 ml (1 cup) chicken or vegetable stock
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) vegetable oil
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) melted butter
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) chopped parsley
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) Parmesan cheese, plus extra for serving
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- Cooking oil

Turkey Filling

- 30 ml (2 tbsp) olive oil
- 1 small onion, diced
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) oregano
- 750 g (1 1/2 lb) turkey breast, cut into strips
- 250 ml (1 cup) button mushrooms
- 45 ml (3 tbsp) chopped fresh sage
- 250 ml (1 cup) thinly sliced red peppers
- 250 ml (1 cup) thinly sliced orange peppers
- 2 cans (each 284 ml/10 oz) cream of mushroom soup
- 500 ml (2 cups) chicken or vegetable broth
- Salt and pepper, to taste

1. In a large bowl, make a well in the centre of the flour. In a second bowl, whisk together eggs, milk, stock, oil and melted butter. Pour liquid ingredients into flour and blend well using a wire whisk. If batter is lumpy, pass through a sieve. Add parsley and cheese to smooth batter, cover and refrigerate for 15 minutes.

2. Heat oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add onion and oregano and sauté until softened. Add turkey and cook until starting to brown. Add mushrooms, sage and peppers and sauté for 5 minutes. Add mushroom soup and broth and bring to a boil. Set heat to low and keep mixture warm.

3. Heat oiled crêpe pan or frying pan over medium-low heat. Spread one ladle of batter on pan, swirling pan until batter is close to the sides. Cook until batter is set and the edges start to curl. Flip for a moment and then remove.

4. Divide turkey mixture among 16 crêpes. Place filling on one edge of the crepe and roll. Serve sprinkled with grated Parmesan cheese.

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This can include buying, category management, inventory analysis, planning and allocation, marketing co-ordination, sales management, business development and loss prevention.

This particular area has made significant advancements in recent years and can vary considerably between individual retailers.

Technological advancements have allowed massive amounts of data to be collected, and currently the major issue is determining the most effective way of analyzing that data.

Having a background or familiarity with interpreting

statistics is valuable here. Knowledge of the customers is key to these positions and being able to interpret that data will help further that goal

Operations management

These roles may include district or store management, and require a wide range knowledge and abilities.

They can include recruiting and hiring employees, managing inventories, implementing promotional strategies, and many other skill sets which vary across retailers.

These operations are the core of the business and where most of the actual money is made. The skills required for these positions can vary considerably depending on the retail outlet. However, a strong knowledge of the re-

An essential ingredient

Getting a job in the retail industry is not as straightforward as some, but here is one all-important tip:

- **Know the company.** Know its history, price points and competition. Visiting the stores (if possible) to look at and think critically about their assortment. Know where they sit in the industry. In addition, Alan Gryn, a director in the strategy and business improvement team at Sears, suggests trying to see if you can speak to any employees. Understand the difference between WalMart and Winners. WalMart is a discount store and Winners is off-price. Discount stores buy product at the same cost as everyone else but take lower markups.

Mira Saraf, Talentegg.ca

tailer's customer base and the products are key.

General corporate

These positions are ones most commonly shared by all businesses, such as IT, accounting and human resources. Within retail, the human resources role may exist at the corporate level or in field roles that require HR management across regions, or in large store locations.

Much of these particular corporate aspects of the retail industry are focused upon in business courses and operate in the same way. This area is often considered to be the more 'traditional' aspect of the industry.

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MONICA WEYMOUTH
Metro World News in Philadelphia

As the new Master Model Builder of LEGOLAND Discovery Center Chicago, 23-year-old Andrew Johnson designs 3D LEGO models for the families that visit.

Last week, he completed his first display since starting full-time at the beginning of the month.

"I just made a cardinal — that's the state bird of Illinois," he tells us. "It's a lot of fun to be able to design something and watch it come into creation so fast."

Plenty of aspects of the job could be described as "a



Evidently, confidence in your ability will help you stand out from some tough competition. ISTOCK

lot of fun," which is why the position isn't easy to come by. There are only four master model builders in the U.S. and an additional eight abroad. Johnson landed the gig after

competing against eight other finalist applicants in a "build-off," during which he created a replica of Chicago's Daley Plaza Picasso sculpture, a model of the Lorax using

less than 40 LEGO pieces and an especially tricky audience-member request: a violin and a hands-free harmonica.

For now, Johnson — who is one credit shy of a degree in

history from DePaul University — isn't concerned with big-picture career questions or especially eager to join his friends in the cubicles.

"It's one of the only toys

Piece by piece His building style

Johnson has been playing with LEGOs since he was a child, but sharpened his skills while working at a camp where the toys were used to teach architecture and engineering. "There are people who have a lot of kits, but I'm more of a free-builder — I haven't used instructions in a long time," he says. "I don't buy kits, just the basic building blocks. It's a lot of trial and error."

I can think of that you don't grow out of," Johnson says of LEGOs. "I'm going to stay here as long as I'm having fun — which I can see being a long time."

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An inbox 'delete' makes a spring-clean complete

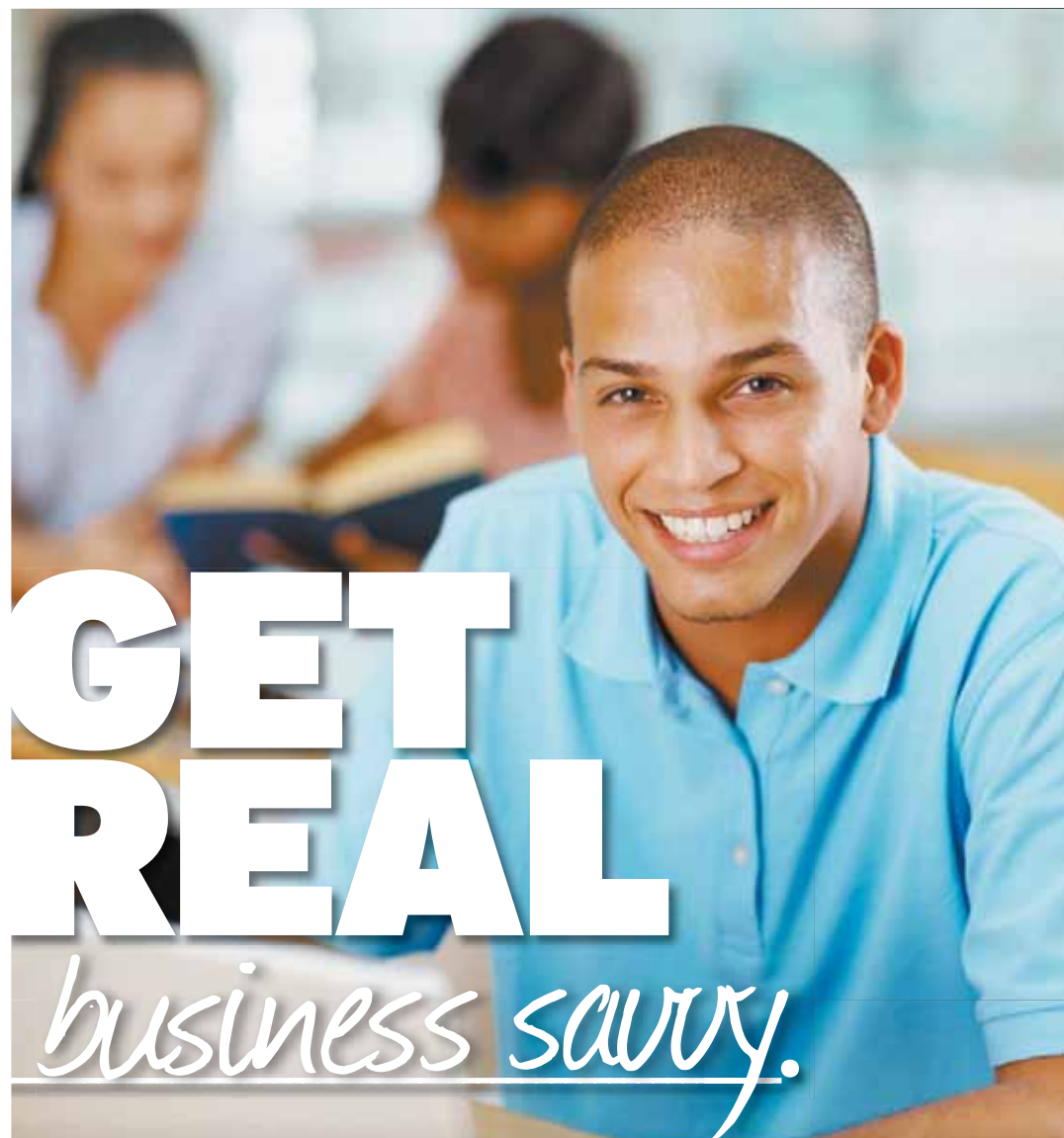
Computer cleanup. You've dusted the mantle, you've arranged your undies by colour, but what you may be neglecting is that overloaded inbox on your screen

JULIA WEST
Metro World News in Philadelphia

Spring cleaning isn't reserved for closets and cubicles — it's also a good

idea to make some sense out of that overflowing email inbox.

Alexandra Kirsch, director of MC Interactive, relates a clean inbox to a better work environment —



GET REAL
business savvy.



How much of your valuable time is being spent deleting pesky 'upcoming sale' alerts? Unsubscribe! iSTOCK

and better workers.

"Doing a little spring email inbox cleaning can be helpful to create a healthier workplace mind-set," she says.

"It's never comforting to come to the office with a box full of messages, even if they've already been read."

Ease into this daunting task by starting with the obvious problems.

"Go through your inbox and unsubscribe from companies who send a lot of email that you never read," suggests OtherInbox founder Joshua Baer. "Also, go through your Facebook settings to reduce the number of email notifications it sends you."

Five years ago, Marsha Egan founded International Clean Out Your Inbox Week (it takes place in mid-January).

She runs consulting com-

pany InboxDetox, which offers services for both individuals and companies who want to increase efficiency.

"Email messages have become the world's most prolific interrupters," she says. "And interruptions are costly."

The time it takes to recover from every interruption saps productivity from each of us."

Analysis

Don't delay!

Some experts suggest you tidy up once a month, while others say it should be done every time you open your email. Find a schedule that works for you and stick to it so your inbox will be a cleaner, happier place.

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NHL

Shoulder surgery ends Hall's season

Edmonton Oilers forward Taylor Hall is done for the season.

The team said Tuesday the 20-year-old will undergo surgery on his left shoulder.

Hall hasn't played since March 17 after suffering a concussion early in a 3-1 win over the Calgary Flames.

Oilers general manager Steve Tambellini says Hall will spend five to six months recovering.

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Taylor Hall

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NHL

Leafs' hopes end with a whimper

The precipitous fall of the Toronto Maple Leafs is complete.

A 3-0 loss to the Carolina Hurricanes on Tuesday night officially eliminated the Leafs from playoff contention in the Eastern Conference, extending the franchise-worst streak to seven seasons.

Hours after new coach Randy Carlyle called the team's play in Toronto "unacceptable," the Leafs fell behind 3-0 early in the second period and lost their 10th-straight game in front of the disgruntled home fans.

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Calgary Flames head coach Brent Sutter leads his team against the Colorado Avalanche on March 20. DOUG PENSINGER/GETTY IMAGES

Finish puts Sutter on Flames' hot seat



THE HOCKEY NEWS
Brian Costello
calgary@metronews.ca

Was it my imagination or did the Flames play an exciting, albeit reckless game in their 5-4 victory over Dallas Monday? It wasn't very Brent Sutter of them. There were both tons of offensive chances and a plethora of missed assignments defensively.

Desperate times call for desperate measures. Could it be the players, knowing that unless a miracle happens, this is Sutter's final month on the job? Could it be they took matters into their own hands? With just six goals scored in their previous five

games, are the players discreetly abandoning Sutter's take-care-of-your-own-end philosophy in a last-ditch attempt to succeed?

That's what it looked like to me, although it could have just been one of those times when extra effort and adrenalin lead to a more entertaining game. Seventy-four shots total. I can't remember that last time that happened.

If this is indeed the case — and nobody knows for sure — wouldn't it be interesting if the Flames rang out the regular season with a run of high-scoring victories, punctuated by plenty of high-risk, high-return opportunities both ways.

In my opinion, even that wouldn't save the team from

making a coaching change in the off-season. I've always been a fan of Brent Sutter, going back to his days with the Red Deer Rustlers, the glory years with the New York Islanders and his coaching achievements with Canada's national junior team.

But in three seasons with the Flames, Sutter's message hasn't gotten through on a consistent basis. It's rare for a coach, after three consecutive seasons out of the playoffs, to be signed on for a fourth term. Barry Trotz in Nashville is an exception.

GM Jay Feaster, a huge supporter of Sutter, was so convinced at the start of the season the Flames were good enough to make the playoffs that he told a TSN audience

to "write it down." So he can't be happy with what has unfolded.

And the undeniable fact remains that Calgary has been regularly at the top of the salary chart every year since Sutter's arrival without so much as a post-season game. The Flames have spent more than \$183 million in salaries the past three seasons, according to capgeek.com. That's third most in the league behind Philadelphia (\$187 million) and Vancouver (\$186.8 million) and ranks ahead of other top-10 teams Pittsburgh, Washington, New Jersey, Montreal, Detroit, San Jose and the Rangers.

So if it's not a lack of talent, it must be a coaching style that isn't working.

NFL. Saints turn attention to coaching

Sean Payton has planned the New Orleans Saints' off-season program, done some work on the upcoming draft and jotted down ideas for the start of training camp.

And now, with his season-long suspension set to begin Sunday, Payton is checking to see if mentor Bill Parcells would run the team while he serves his penalty for allowing a Saints assistant coach and players to run a bounty system.

Payton said Tuesday he will soon decide whether to appeal his suspension, something commissioner Roger Goodell has said he can do through Monday.

Quoted

"You're disappointed. You're disappointed in yourself that it got to this point."

Saints coach Sean Payton on his season-long suspension.

Payton also said he was meeting with Parcells — who lives near the site of this week's NFL meetings in Palm Beach, Fla. — to discuss the plan for the season.

"For me to be down here, if I didn't call him or try to set up a time to see him, I'd probably

get his wrath," Payton said.

Payton said he, general manager Mickey Loomis — who is facing an eight-game suspension — and team owner Tom Benson are weighing a number of scenarios.

Among them: Does Parcells want to coach?

"I think it would just be considering all options, to be fair and really trying to do our homework on each option before making a decision," Payton said.

If Payton appeals, Goodell said he would "probably" allow him to continue working past the intended start of his suspension. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

NBA. Season 'surprisingly good,' says commissioner

NBA commissioner David Stern said in Phoenix on Tuesday it's been a "surprisingly good" season considering the late start and the potential for ill will among fans in the wake of the labour dispute that erased 16 games from the schedule.

Stern also said there already are signs the collective bargaining agreement is having an impact, as teams make personnel decisions to cut payroll to avoid the stiffer luxury tax that the new deal creates.

The commissioner said he



David Stern
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expects a "robust discussion" on adding goaltending to the areas that can be subject to video-replay review by officials. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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SPORTS

Flames preview

Los Angeles at
Calgary
7:30 p.m.
(Sportsnet West)

The Flames (35-27-15) host Los Angeles (37-27-12), which has lost its last two games. The Kings have scored twice in regulation in their last three games. In 24 games this season where Jonathan Quick allows one or zero goals, Los Angeles has a 15-5-4 record. Justin Williams has five goals and five assists in his last 11 games. Drew Doughty has one assist in his last four games. Simon Gagne (concussion) is progressing slowly and likely won't return this season.

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On the web



Canadian figure-skating star Patrick Chan says if not for a move to Colorado before the 2010 Vancouver Olympics, he thinks he "would have quit." Now he's a gold-medal favourite going into this week's world championships in France. Scan the code for the story.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

| | GP | W | L | OTL | SL | GF | GA | Pts | Home | Away | Last 10 | Strk |
|----------------|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----------|-----------|---------|------|
| dx-NY Rangers | 76 | 48 | 21 | 2 | 5 | 209 | 170 | 103 | 26-10-0-2 | 22-11-2-3 | 5-4-0-0 | W2 |
| d-Boston | 76 | 45 | 28 | 1 | 2 | 249 | 186 | 93 | 23-13-0-1 | 22-15-0-1 | 5-5-0-0 | W3 |
| d-Florida | 76 | 37 | 24 | 5 | 10 | 189 | 208 | 89 | 20-9-1-9 | 17-15-4-1 | 6-1-0-3 | W1 |
| x-Pittsburgh | 76 | 47 | 23 | 3 | 3 | 256 | 200 | 100 | 27-9-2-0 | 20-14-1-3 | 7-2-1-0 | W2 |
| x-Philadelphia | 76 | 44 | 24 | 2 | 6 | 241 | 213 | 96 | 21-12-1-4 | 23-12-1-2 | 6-3-0-1 | L1 |
| New Jersey | 77 | 43 | 28 | 2 | 4 | 208 | 201 | 92 | 21-13-0-4 | 22-15-2-0 | 5-4-0-1 | W1 |
| Ottawa | 77 | 39 | 28 | 6 | 4 | 236 | 227 | 88 | 20-15-2-2 | 19-13-4-2 | 5-3-0-2 | W2 |
| Buffalo | 77 | 38 | 29 | 4 | 6 | 202 | 210 | 86 | 20-11-3-5 | 18-18-1-1 | 7-1-0-2 | W5 |
| Washington | 77 | 38 | 31 | 4 | 4 | 206 | 219 | 84 | 24-11-2-2 | 14-20-2-2 | 5-3-1-1 | L1 |
| Winnipeg | 76 | 35 | 33 | 4 | 4 | 205 | 223 | 78 | 23-12-1-3 | 12-21-3-1 | 4-6-0-0 | L2 |
| Tampa Bay | 76 | 35 | 34 | 4 | 3 | 216 | 260 | 77 | 23-14-1-1 | 12-20-3-2 | 4-5-1-0 | L2 |
| Carolina | 77 | 31 | 31 | 9 | 6 | 205 | 228 | 77 | 19-13-1-5 | 12-18-8-1 | 6-4-0-0 | W1 |
| NY Islanders | 76 | 32 | 33 | 7 | 4 | 185 | 227 | 75 | 15-16-5-1 | 17-17-3-2 | 5-3-1-1 | W2 |
| Toronto | 77 | 33 | 35 | 4 | 5 | 217 | 223 | 75 | 16-15-3-4 | 17-20-1-1 | 3-5-0-2 | L2 |
| Montreal | 77 | 29 | 34 | 4 | 10 | 199 | 214 | 72 | 14-15-8-2 | 15-19-2-2 | 4-2-2-2 | L2 |

WESTERN CONFERENCE

| | GP | W | L | OTL | SL | GF | GA | Pts | Home | Away | Last 10 | Strk |
|--------------|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----------|-----------|---------|------|
| dx-St. Louis | 77 | 48 | 20 | 1 | 8 | 199 | 147 | 105 | 30-4-1-3 | 18-16-0-5 | 6-2-0-2 | W2 |
| y-Vancouver | 76 | 46 | 21 | 2 | 7 | 230 | 187 | 101 | 22-10-0-4 | 24-11-3-2 | 5-4-1-0 | W3 |
| d-San Jose | 76 | 39 | 27 | 5 | 5 | 210 | 196 | 88 | 24-12-2-1 | 15-15-3-4 | 6-3-1-0 | W3 |
| x-Detroit | 76 | 46 | 25 | 3 | 2 | 237 | 187 | 97 | 30-5-1-1 | 16-20-2-1 | 3-5-2-0 | W2 |
| Nashville | 77 | 44 | 25 | 3 | 5 | 219 | 202 | 96 | 24-9-2-3 | 20-16-1-2 | 5-4-0-1 | L1 |
| Chicago | 77 | 42 | 26 | 4 | 5 | 231 | 222 | 93 | 26-9-1-4 | 16-18-3-1 | 6-2-0-2 | L2 |
| Dallas | 76 | 41 | 30 | 1 | 4 | 202 | 202 | 87 | 22-14-0-3 | 19-16-1-1 | 6-4-0-0 | L1 |
| Phoenix | 77 | 37 | 27 | 3 | 10 | 200 | 202 | 87 | 19-13-2-4 | 18-14-1-6 | 4-2-0-4 | L2 |
| Los Angeles | 76 | 37 | 27 | 5 | 7 | 175 | 165 | 86 | 21-14-0-4 | 16-13-5-3 | 6-4-0-0 | L2 |
| Colorado | 78 | 40 | 32 | 4 | 2 | 201 | 207 | 86 | 22-15-1-1 | 18-17-3-1 | 5-3-1-1 | L3 |
| Calgary | 77 | 35 | 27 | 6 | 9 | 191 | 212 | 85 | 21-10-1-5 | 14-17-5-4 | 5-1-2-2 | W1 |
| Anaheim | 76 | 32 | 33 | 5 | 6 | 191 | 212 | 75 | 20-17-2-0 | 12-16-3-6 | 4-5-1-0 | L1 |
| Minnesota | 76 | 31 | 35 | 2 | 8 | 161 | 210 | 72 | 17-16-1-3 | 14-19-1-5 | 3-7-0-0 | L3 |
| Edmonton | 76 | 31 | 36 | 3 | 6 | 206 | 223 | 71 | 18-15-2-3 | 13-21-1-3 | 5-2-1-2 | W2 |
| Columbus | 76 | 24 | 45 | 2 | 5 | 177 | 250 | 55 | 14-21-1-2 | 10-24-1-3 | 3-7-0-0 | L2 |

x — clinched playoff berth; d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's results

Carolina 3 Toronto 0

Florida 3 Montreal 2 (SO)

Boston 5 Tampa Bay 2

Buffalo 5 Washington 1

New Jersey 2 Chicago 1 (SO)

N.Y. Islanders 5 Pittsburgh 3

S.T. Rangers 3 Minnesota 2

St. Louis 3 Nashville 0

Monday's results

Calgary 5 Dallas 4

Ottawa 6 Winnipeg 4

Vancouver 1 Los Angeles 0

Detroit 7 Columbus 2

San Jose 5 Colorado 1

Tampa Bay 5 Philadelphia 3

Tonight's games

N.Y. Rangers at Winnipeg, 7 p.m.

Detroit at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.

Los Angeles at Calgary, 9 p.m.

Dallas at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.

Colorado at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

San Jose at Anaheim, 10 p.m.

Tomorrow's games

Washington at Boston, 7 p.m.

Philadelphia at Toronto, 7 p.m.

Tampa Bay at New Jersey, 7 p.m.

Pittsburgh at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.

Florida at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

St. Louis at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

San Jose at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

Overtime

No Scoring.

Penalties — None.

Shootout

(Florida wins 1-0)

Montreal (0) — Desharnais, miss; Plekanec, miss; Leblanc, miss. Florida (1) — Wolski, goal; Samuelsson, miss.

Shots on goal by

Florida 11 13 11 1—36

Montreal 12 4 8 5—29

Goal — Florida: Clemmensen (W,13-6-5), Montreal: Price (L,26-27-11). Power plays (goals-chances) — Florida: 0-3. Montreal: 1-2.

Referees — Marc Joanette, Brian Pochmara.

Linesmen — Tony Serico, David Brisebois.

Attendance — 21,273.

LATE MONDAY

FLAMES 5, STARS 4

First Period

1. Dallas, Benn 25 (Ott) 0:26

2. Calgary, Jokinen 22 (Stempniak, Glenecross) 6:53 (pp)

Penalties — Daley Dal (high-sticking) 5:51, Giordano Cal (hooking) 8:42, Butler Cal (high-sticking) 11:17, Robidas Dal (tripping) 17:28.

Second Period

3. Dallas, Benn 26 (Burish, Pardy) 0:44

4. Calgary, Comeau 5, 9:16

5. Calgary, Cammalleri 17 (Iglinia, Babchuk) 10:01

6. Dallas, Ribeiro 17 (Ryder, Goligoski) 14:29

7. Calgary, Giordano 9 (Iglinia, Cammalleri) 16:58 (pp)

8. Calgary, Tanguay 13 (Cammalleri, Giordano) 19:32 (pp)

Penalties — Souray Dal (high-sticking) 2:16, Cammalleri Cal (tripping) 3:43, Ribeiro Dal (tripping) 4:40, Burish Dal (slashing), Hannan Cal (roughing) 10:30, Pardy Dal (roughing), Stempniak Cal (slashing) 13:37, Robidas Dal (tripping) 14:59, Ott Dal (tripping) 18:33.

Third Period

9. Dallas, Larsen 2 (Souray, Ott) 5:24 (pp)

Penalty — Giordano Cal (holding) 3:52.

Shots on goal by

Dallas 17 10 12 39

Calgary 13 17 5 35

Goal — Dallas: Lehtonen (L,31-18-4); Calgary: Kiprusoff (W,34-20-11).

Power plays (goals-chances) — Dallas: 1-4; Calgary: 3-6.

Referees — Dan O'Halloran, Dennis LaRue.

Linesmen — Ryan Galloway, Tim Nowak.

Att. — 19,289 (19,289) at Calgary.

CANUCKS 1, KINGS 0

First Period

1. Vancouver, Malhotra 7 (Lapierre, Edler) 3:05

Penalty — H. Sedin Vcr (hooking) 17:03.

Second Period

No Scoring.

Penalties — Clifford LA (unsportsmanlike conduct) 11:48, Mitchell LA (interference) 14:06, Booth Vcr (holding the stick) 15:27.

Third Period

No Scoring.

Penalties — Greene LA (cross checking) 1:45, Penner LA (goaltender interference) 16:37, Edler Vcr (holding) 19:34.

Shots on goal by

Los Angeles 9 12 17 38

Vancouver 5 7 13 25

Goal — Los Angeles: Quick (L,32-21-11); Vancouver: Luongo (W,29-14-8).

Power plays (goals-chances) — Los Angeles: 0-3; Vancouver: 0-4.

Referees — Frederick L'Ecuyer, Chris Lee.

Linesmen — Mark Shewchuk, Brad Lazarowich.

Att. — 18,860 at Vancouver.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|----------------|----|----|------|-----|
| x-Chicago | 40 | 11 | .784 | — |
| d-Miami | 35 | 13 | .729 | 3½ |
| Orlando | 32 | 18 | .640 | 7½ |
| d-Philadelphia | 28 | 22 | .560 | 11½ |
| Indiana | 29 | 19 | .604 | 9½ |
| Atlanta | 30 | 21 | .588 | 10 |
| Boston | 27 | 22 | .551 | 12 |
| New York | 25 | 25 | .500 | 14½ |
| Milwaukee | 23 | 27 | .460 | 16½ |
| Cleveland | 17 | 30 | .362 | 21 |
| Detroit | 17 | 32 | .347 | 22 |
| Toronto | 16 | 34 | .320 | 23½ |
| New Jersey | 16 | 35 | .314 | 24 |
| Washington | 11 | 38 | .224 | 28 |
| Charlotte | 7 | 40 | .149 | 31 |

WESTERN CONFERENCE

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|-----------------|----|----|------|-----|
| d-Oklahoma City | 37 | 12 | .755 | — |
| d-San Antonio | 33 | 14 | .702 | 3 |
| d-L.A. Lakers | 30 | 19 | .612 | 7 |
| L.A. Clippers | 28 | 21 | .571 | 9 |
| Dallas | 29 | 22 | .569 | 9 |
| Memphis | 27 | 21 | .563 | 9½ |
| Utah | 27 | 23 | .540 | 10½ |
| Denver | 27 | 23 | .540 | 10½ |
| Houston | 27 | 24 | .529 | 11 |
| Phoenix | 25 | 24 | .510 | 12 |
| Minnesota | 24 | 27 | .471 | 14 |
| Portland | 23 | 26 | .469 | 14 |
| Golden State | 20 | 27 | .426 | 16 |
| Sacramento | 17 | 32 | .347 | 20 |
| New Orleans | 12 | 37 | .245 | 25 |

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x-clinched playoff spot

Last night's results

Philadelphia 103, Cleveland 85

Memphis 93, Minnesota 86

Milwaukee 108, Atlanta 101

Dallas 90, Houston 81

Oklahoma City at Portland

San Antonio at Phoenix

L.A. Lakers at Golden State

Monday's results

Boston 102, Charlotte 95

Indiana 105, Miami 90

Orlando 117, Toronto 101

Detroit 79, Washington 77

Utah 105, New Jersey 84

New York 89, Milwaukee 80

Denver 108, Chicago 91

Houston 113, Sacramento 106, OT

L.A. Clippers 97, New Orleans 85

Tonight's games

Detroit at Cleveland, 7 p.m.

Minnesota at Charlotte, 7 p.m.

Denver at Toronto, 7 p.m.

Orlando at New York, 7 p.m.

Chicago at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

Utah at Boston, 7:30 p.m.

Indiana at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.

San Antonio at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

New Orleans at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

LACROSSE

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Sunday's results

Colorado 16 Philadelphia 15 (OT)

Washington 20 Minnesota 13

Friday, March 30

Calgary at Minnesota, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 31

Colorado at Rochester, 1:05 p.m.

Toronto at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.

Minnesota at Edmonton, 9 p.m.

Washington at Calgary, 9 p.m.

MLB

SPRING TRAINING

AMERICAN LEAGUE

| | W | L | Pct |
|-------------|----|----|------|
| Toronto | 20 | 4 | .833 |
| Detroit | 15 | 5 | .750 |
| Oakland | 14 | 5 | .737 |
| Los Angeles | 15 | 9 | .625 |
| Seattle | 12 | 8 | .600 |
| New York | 13 | 10 | .565 |
| Kansas City | 14 | 11 | .560 |
| Boston | 12 | 10 | .545 |
| Minnesota | 14 | 12 | .538 |
| Baltimore | 10 | 10 | .500 |
| Chicago | 11 | 13 | .458 |
| Texas | 8 | 16 | .333 |
| Tampa Bay | 7 | 15 | .318 |
| Cleveland | 6 | 16 | .273 |

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Caddy enters a new weight class



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Lightweight

Where the ATS excels is its reasonable 1,545-kilogram curb weight. That's about 225 less than the CTS sedan (currently the only passenger car in the Cadillac garage). That's also less than most of the competition — which should help when the official fuel-consumption numbers are announced closer to launch time.

Safety first

The ATS is looking to match its competitors, stride for stride, in safety with up to 10 airbags plus an array of the latest in collision-avoidance gear. This includes adaptive cruise control (maintains a safe distance from the vehicle in front) and lane-departure warning with blind-zone alert.

2013 Cadillac ATS

- **Type:** Four-door, rear-/all-wheel-drive compact sedan.
- **Engines (hp):** 2.5-litre DOHC I4 (200); 2.0-litre DOHC I4 (270); 3.6-litre DOHC V6 (318).
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 8.5/5.5 (2.5, est.).
- **Base Price:** \$36,000.

Engine



The 270-horsepower turbo four-cylinder is found in other more mainstream GM brands.

Although the ATS will be available with a relatively potent 318-horsepower 3.6-litre V6, Cadillac is making available two different four-cylinder offerings. Base cars get a 200-horsepower 2.5-litre four-cylinder, while a 2.0-litre turbocharged four-cylinder is optional.

Review. With boutique brands downsizing, there are hot deals on hot new cars for regular folks. This is one of them.

Scaling back power, size and fuel consumption without scaling back the amenities is all the rage these days.

You could say that's the new Cadillac ATS's sole purpose in life.

But would you go as far as picking an ATS over a BMW 3-Series sedan?

Or, for that matter, an Audi A4, Mercedes-Benz C-Class, Infiniti G37 or a Lexus

IS? Along with their generally compact size, efficient and still-potent powerplants and luxury accommodations, all of them also offer all-wheel-drive.

Well, that's what you can expect from the ATS, which arrives this summer.

Although clearly Cadillac-looking, the stylists have done a good job scaling down the brand's visual

identity.

The result conveys plenty of elegance from every angle, especially around the grille and lower air intakes at one end and the abbreviated trunk lid and vertical taillight bars at other.

The overall shape doesn't dazzle and it's far from ground-breaking, but it is quite appealing.

No prices have been an-

nounced, but to maintain a certain spread below the \$39,000 CTS and remain competitive with its classmates, you can expect the ATS to start in the \$36,000 range.

That should earn it the once-over and a double take from shoppers — luxury or not — looking to trade down in size without giving up all the comfort.

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Wheelbase Media

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DRIVE

Top Gear

A flare with flair

The days of carrying around traditional emergency flares might be nearing an end, especially when you take a look at the features of the GorillaTorch Flare from Joby, Inc. This little guy costs about \$35 US and projects a bright white beam from its light emitting diode (LED) or a red light from its three red LEDs. The GorillaTorch Flare uses three AA batteries that provide about 20 hours of white light, 80 hours of strobing light or 60 hours of red light (240 hours of strobing red). If that seems like a lot of time, it is because LEDs take less power than the usual filament-style bulbs found in conventional flashlights. The light attaches to just about any surface since the three feet are magnetized and can be pretzelled around other not magnetic surfaces, which means it also doubles as a bright work light or a light for the backyard or campground. Read more about GorillaTorch Flare at joby.com.

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Tesla's model 'S'itizen

Autoknow. Electric cars are on the fringe for some automakers, while Tesla's very existence depends on them. Maybe that's why this sleek new hatchback with a 480-kilometre range seems so natural.

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Wheelbase Media

Whether we wanted it, the age of the electric car is upon us and their numbers are slowly growing. While most of the better-known brands are being built by mainstream automakers such as General Motors, Ford, Nissan and Mitsubishi, perhaps the best out-of-the-box thinking is coming from boutique automakers.

In this group is Tesla Motors, a Palo Alto, Calif., company founded by Elon Musk, creator of online money-transfer system Pay Pal.

Tesla (named for electrical development pioneer Nikola Tesla) has, since 2006, sold more than 2,100 of its \$125,000-plus two-seater Roadster model. But, as a company spokesman explained at the North American International Auto Show in January, the Lotus Elise-based sports car's true importance was as a test bed for Tesla's electric powertrain technology. The next phase in the brand's development is the Model S four-door sedan, which will launch this summer. The car is being constructed at a plant in Fremont, Calif., that had been jointly operated by General Motors and Toyota.

Like all Tesla vehicles, the Model S operates on electric power only. It does not use



The Model S is designed by Franz von Holzhausen, who also designed the Saturn Sky and Pontiac Solstice roadsters. PHOTOS FROM WHEELBASE MEDIA

a gasoline engine to generate electrical energy, as is the case with the Chevrolet Volt, which lacks the Model S's electric range. It's a highly unique vehicle on several fronts.

The aluminum-bodied, full-size four-door hatchback is roughly the same size as BMW's 5-series hatchback. However, the Model S design has more luggage space with the 60:40 back seat up or folded, not including an additional storage area under the hood.

Under the hood? Well, the 306-horsepower electric motor is actually positioned between the rear wheels, while the liquid-cooled lithium-ion battery layout unobtrusively forms part of a rigid platform that connects to the front and

rear suspension.

Inside, the Model S can seat five adults plus two pint-sized, rear-facing passengers in the optional fold-up third row, not unlike those old station wagons of the 1950s and '60s.

Tesla claims the 40 kilowatt/hour (kWh) batteries in the base model are good for up to about 255 kilometres on a full charge. The range increases to about 365 kilometres if the 60 kWh powerpack is specified, while 480 kilometres is attainable with the 85-kWh option.

Performance is also affected, depending on the battery pack selected. Zero-to-60-m.p.h. (96 km/h) times vary from 6.5 seconds for the 40 kWh cars, to 5.6 seconds for the 85 kWh batteries (dropping to 4.4 seconds

By the numbers

\$105,400

Model S pricing in the United States before government rebates runs from \$57,400 to \$105,400, but there's no word yet on what Canadians will pay.

when the Performance version is specified).

Top speed runs 175-200 km/h, again depending on battery capacity, but driving the Model S with a heavy foot will certainly curtail its advertised range. The Model S lacks a conventional transmission, but instead uses a controller to initiate forward and reverse.

As with other electrics, charging the Model S can be accomplished by plugging into a standard 120-volt wall outlet from a port hidden behind the driver's-side taillight. Tesla says that each hour of charging gives the car about 50 kilometres of range, but that doubles when the optional 240-volt high-power wall connector is used. At that rate, a full charge for the 85 kWh model should be all wrapped up in about five hours.

Buy a fully-decked-out 85 kWh Model S and Tesla says you'll be able to access its new network of "Superchargers" throughout North America to give you about 255 kilometres of range in 30 minutes of charging.

The equipment list for the base cars is near-luxury and includes a cloth interior, seven-speaker 200-watt audio system and 19-inch wheels. Leather is optional as is a panoramic glass roof, carbon-fibre trim, power liftgate and 21-inch wheels.

The Model S represents Tesla's first in-house-designed vehicle and will be followed in 2014 by the Model X. That taller, roomier version of the Model S will feature dual-motor all-wheel-drive and four gullwing-style doors, called Falcon Wings.

Unusual and unique, of course, but Tesla's clean-sheet approach to emissions-free automobile design is what separates it from just about everything else on the market.


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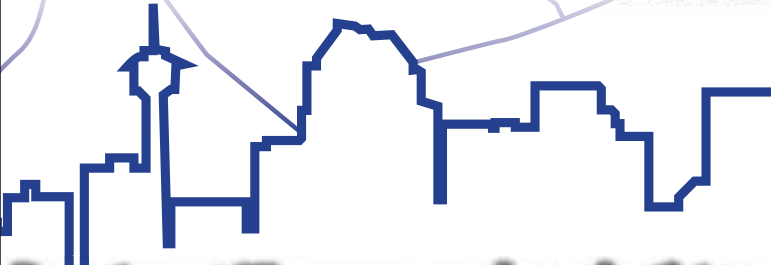
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Ion was produced from 2003 to 2007 in either coupe or sedan body styles, replacing the "S" series in Saturn's lineup.

The coupe offered easy backseat access for people or pets by way of a useful set of "suicide" doors. Tucked in behind the front doors, these smaller openings allowed easier access to the rear seats while maintaining the looks of a coupe.



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Common Issues

Listen for any unusual or sporadic rattling sounds from under the hood, which could be caused by loose exhaust manifold bolts. This isn't a huge issue if diagnosed properly.

Check for proper and quiet operation from the climate-control fan and temperature controls. A ticking noise when the fan is working could be caused by a loose or broken cover. Ensure the power sunroof is working, along with the turn signals. Note that a lumpy or awkward idle could be caused by a malfunction in the engine computer, which would require reprogramming to fix. Finally, avoid the CVT transmission — which was axed from the powertrain lineup due to reliability issues.

Verdict

Avoid a used Ion model with the CVT transmission, and you'll likely enjoy a unique, cheap-to-run compact car with affordable pricing and a good sense of style.

Engine

Four-cylinder ECOTEC engines were fitted to all models, including a 2.4-litre unit with 170 horsepower. Look for automatic, manual or continually variable transmissions. Avoid the latter.

What Owners Like

Coupe looks combined with sedan utility are among the strong points stated by Ion Coupe owners. Selection, fresh styling and overall value were also rated highly, as was ride comfort.

What Owners Dislike

Complaints typically include a "cheap" feel to the cabin trim and limited rear-seat space for larger adults.



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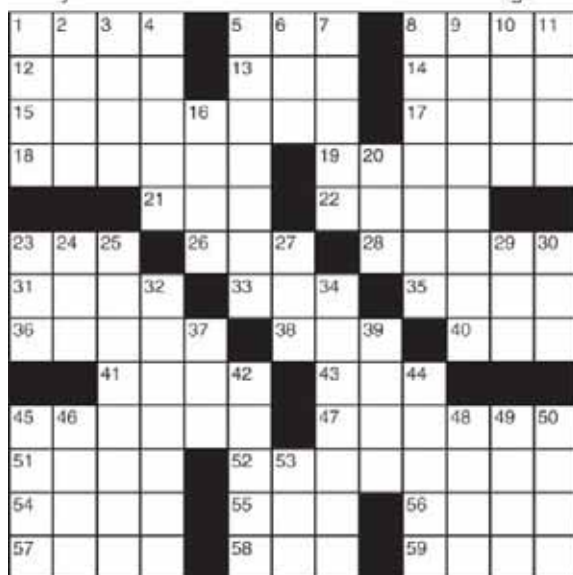
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17 Capri, e.g.
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19 It's handy if you
have to break your
word
21 — -la-la
22 Roger Rabbit,
e.g.
23 "Great!"
26 Performance
28 Exhaust
31 Egg
33 Kangaroo's
move
35 Betty's "Hot in
Cleveland" role
36 Frankincense or
myrrh
38 Third degree?
40 Moon craft
41 Stepped (on)
43 Thing, in law
45 Meager
47 Aviatrix Earhart
51 Jason's ship
52 Profession
54 Quartet
55 Salt Lake
athlete
56 Garfield's pal
57 Salamanders
58 Petrol
59 -tat-tat

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2 Sulk
3 Cold War nation
(Abbr.)
4 Attack
5 Popeye's "fuel"
6 A billion years
7 Twice 54-Across
8 Fat
9 "Sex and the
City" writer Can-
dace
10 Not working
11 Adolescent
16 Old Italian
money
20 Thee
23 Supporting
24 Rd.
25 Laugh so hard
it hurts
27 Upper surface
29 Guitar's cousin
30 Nonstick spray
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♉ Taurus | April 21 - May 21.

You can't seem to make up your mind what you should be doing with your precious time.

♊ Gemini | May 22 - June 20.

You must think positive today, especially when dealing with situations where negative words could so easily lead to negative consequences.

♋ Cancer | June 21 - July 22.

What you most need is close at hand but you can't seem to see it.

♌ Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22.

Think seriously about your money situation today. The answers to your problems are not really that difficult.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22.

Go your own way and do your own thing today.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22.

You need to trust your instincts today, even when — especially when — they tell you things you don't want to hear.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21.

Focus only on things that are relevant to your long-term success.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21.

You may have to make a tactical retreat today, most likely because you find yourself up against someone who is too big or too powerful for you to compete with one-to-one.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan.

20. Your mind may be working fast but can you trust what it tells you? That might sound like a strange question but while mind planet Mercury is moving retrograde it's something you need to keep asking — often.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18.

Cash flow problems may be causing some concern but don't let your worries get out of control.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19 - March

20. If you get the chance to take advantage of an opportunity that someone else has missed you must not hesitate, not even for a moment. They had their chance and blew it, now it's your turn to benefit. Cash in!

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